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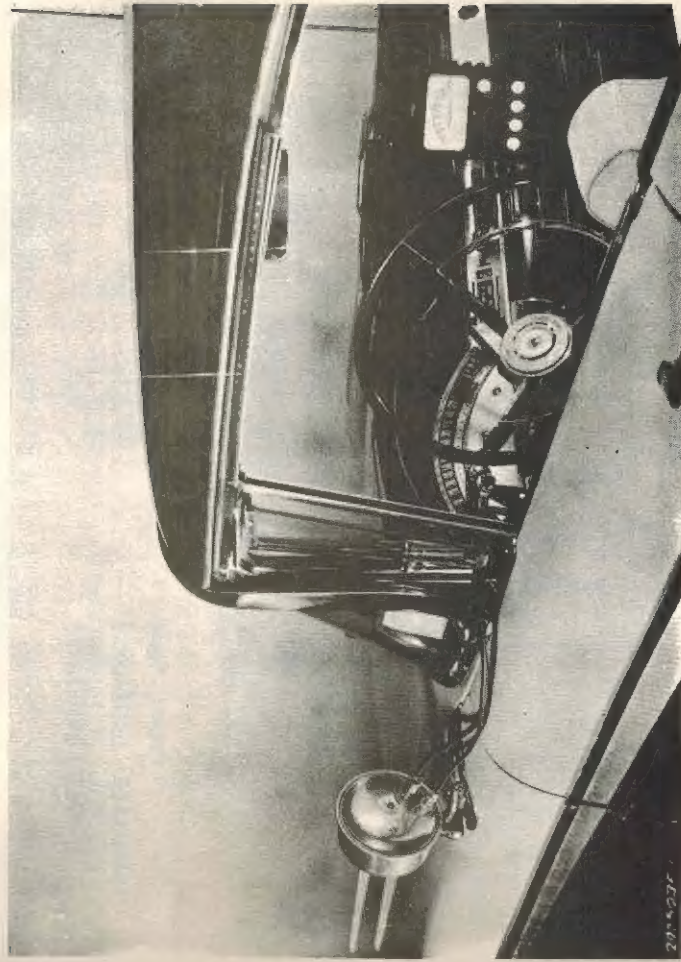
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Ama-Chewer welcomes the forwarding of information on coming events of other clubs in the area for publication in the program section.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

March 10th	Regular Business Meeting and W. R. Williams from Ind. Bell Tele. Co. who will give a talk and demonstration on the new "Bell-Boy" personal phone signaling device.
March 24th	Transformer Design, with our guest speaker Frank Owens of the Carson Mfg. Co. Here is your chance to find out just how they are made and pick up a few tips.
April 14th	Regular Business Meeting and Mr. Bob White from ARRL's DXCC Division. Here is a chance to get the latest news and problems from the DX world.
April 28th	Jim Sugioaka, W9CKB and his guests from the Congo. Here is one you won't want to miss.
May 12th	Regular Business Meeting and our annual Home-Brew night. Get your choice items ready for display and be the top man of the year. Remember no kits.
May 26th	Annual Swap and Shop Night. This event gets bigger each year, so we can all get set to haul out the excess gear and go at it again.
June 9th	Regular Business Meeting, and Hallicrafter Night. Here is another you won't want to miss.
June 23rd	To Be Announced.
June 24th and 25th	FIELD DAY. The Chief Op. is getting the crews together so if you plan to take part, now is the time to get your name on the list.
July and August	No meetings during the summer months.

GOONEY BOX SKED

Now is the time to get on the list if you plan to make use of the clubs Gooney III on 6M this summer. Contact the Chief Op.

April 14th to 28th.....Ed Healy, W9FJR

April 28th to May 12th...Jim Sugioaka, W9CKB

All other dates open.

PRESIDENTS FREQUENCY

Another month has passed, another has arrived, bringing snow, rain, flood, mud, and all the other nice things that tell us that Ma Nature is soon to burst forth with some of that warm weather we have all been looking for.

You will note from the program section of this months issue that a full schedule of programs and events are on tap thru the coming months.

You will notice that on April 28th, Jim, W9CKB will present two guests from the Congo and Paraguay. At the request of Jim, we would like to pass along the word that any gear, which is in good condition that anyone would like to donate would be welcomed by these men, to take back with them for use in communications work in their field of endeavor. We will cover this more fully in the next issue of Ama-Chewer, however, if you have anything along this line please contact me for details.

W9JZV and yours truly have had there arms twisted to start a regular code practice session on 6M. We hope to start in the near future so when the word is passed on the time I would suggest that you get with us, and get going on the General ticket.

Good DXing, Good QSO's and stay healthy and avoid those moments of carelessness that lead to FCC citations.

The Pres. -K9JSF

GRAHAMS SPECIALS OF THE MONTH

Hallicrafter SX-101 Mark III.....	\$299.00
Hallicrafter SX-100.....	\$225.00
Hallicrafter SR-34 AC.....	\$215.00
Hallicrafter S-40-B.....	\$ 65.00
Hammarlund HQ-170-C.....	\$299.00
Hammarlund HQ-100-C.....	\$149.00
Gonset G-50.....	\$230.00
Gonset Communicator III - 6 meters.....	\$185.00

MANY OTHERS AVAILABLE AT EQUALLY GOOD PRICES

Back in March of 1941 it is noted that Ama-Chewer was being sent to 340 happy subscribers and as now the editor was asking for something to edit. Is history repeating itself or is that the way it will always be?

Lon-W9EJH, presented a program at club explaining the action of welding controls that had been seen by the members on a visit to the Chevrolet Body Plant. The other program event of the month was a slide program demonstrating the use of inductance tuning on high frequency by Jack Wilson-W9NGR.

Tom Wonnell-W9WQA, was reported as having taken a wife, which adds up to the fact that Tom and the XYL are celebrating the 20 year mark in marriage. Congratulations.

Max Stout was home from the Navy and gave a talk about his duties and Bob Caskey-W9DNQ gave a talk on modern receiver features.

Bert Bucey-W9NVD was heard getting his Q signals mixed up by referring to QSL magazine.

The following is a quote from Ama-Chewer in its entirety. "Doc-W9TG (T for truthful, G for gentlemen) Pickhardt, the amateur who says a QSO must be at least two hours long to be classed as or called a QSO has changed his mind. It seems that W9TG called W9AUN at Morristown by long distance telephone from Franklin and Willie (W9AUN) tried to get the Doc to make a QSO out of it, but Willie says that every three minutes the Truthful Gentleman would groan and bemoan that the call was on him and running into money."

New members admitted to club membership were Charles Schlegel, Jr.-W9CJH and R. J. Anderson-W9EJA.

Code practice was being given on the air by Jack Mueller, W9DYN; Lon Webb-W9EJH; Paul Nelson (the prof.) W9BHC and LeRoy Waggoner-W9YMV. All of the above on 160 meters. W9YMV presented W9JYP-Don Davis, with a suitably inscribed and duly sealed document indicating the 1000th QSO of YMV's station. YMV by the way was OBS at this time.

There was the usual kind of jokes going about at that time and if you will look thru the pages of this issue I'm sure you will spot it, and we hope it leaves you up in the air till next month.

W9DNQ

IRC IS YOUR CLUB, SUPPORT IT BY ATTENDING MEETINGS

IRC SURVEY

The results of our survey is shown graphically on the center pages. The accuracy of the percentages and counts are dependent on these facts.

912 calls were selected and cards mailed to each.

802 completed cards were returned.

110 were no response and after phone and additional first class mailings they were considered to be inactive, or moved without forwarding address.

Of the 802 cards returned we find that 146 were inactive, and 656 active in this area. This is indicated in your directory.

As for League membership, 413 are members, 347 are not, and 42 did not reply. A big percentage of Novice and Tech. ticket holders checked NO, but a surprising number of inactive checked YES.

The result of "Class of License" included inactive and it will be interesting in later study of active only to see how sharply the Technician class rises.

Incidentally there are no "X" calls in the area.

We have 213 mobile units (a line of cars 7 miles long, if we line them up bumper to bumper.)

In mode of operation.....AM 518 to WIN

CW 427 to PLACE

SSB 109 to SHOW

Look the chart over carefully and we feel sure that you will find many surprising facts about yourself and the guys and gals you talk to all the time.

OH MY GOSH!

Painters Helper: (Addressing remarks to boss painter atop a tall ladder) "Boss, have you got a good hold on that brush?"

Painter Boss: Of course I have nitwit, all good painters hang on to their brushes.

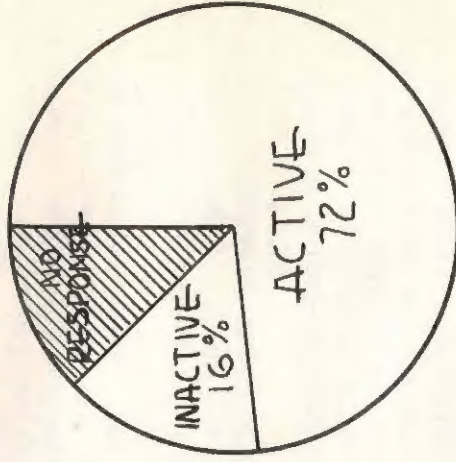
Painters Helper: Well, hold on tight cause I'm taking the ladder. (If that don't put a standing wave on your spine, then you ain't bothered by anything. Ed.)

COMING NEXT MONTH

A round-up on Operation Snowbound, and a article on just where the Amateur fits into the picture of emergency operation.

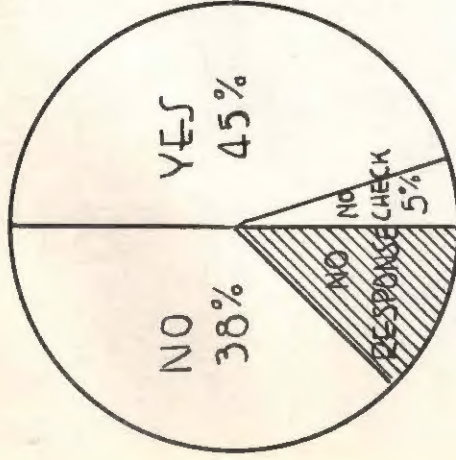
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AMATEUR LICENSE
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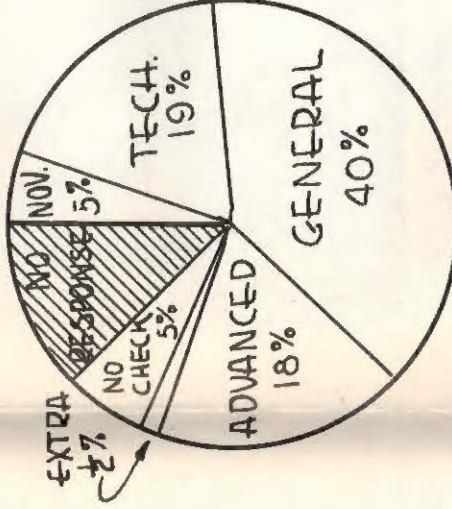


STATUS

SURVEYED 912
ACTIVE 656 - 72%
INACTIVE 146 - 16%
NO RESPONSE 110 - 12%



LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP



CLASS OF LICENSE

DECEMBER 1960
INDIANAPOLIS RADIO CLUB SURVEY
AMATEUR RADIO
INDIANAPOLIS AND VICINITY

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Did you catch the "This Is Your Life" show on Sunday evening Feb. 26th? They honored W6NAS-Lenore Conn for her work in maintaining contact with the South Pole stations and her work in and around the California area. Guests were there from Ice Island, Little America and Japan. As a gift they gave her a complete Collins "S" line, right down to the mike.

Earlier in the week on the TV show "Expedition" they had films from the Antarctic and they also gave a lot of credit to "ham radio", which didn't hurt the hobby a bit.

K9QDR took a trip to the "bone shop" for a little cutting work and spent five days being nursed back to health by those cuties in white. How about it Lee, any new phone numbers in the black book??

W9PSE, K9QDR and K9LZJ are operating on 51.6, monitoring the frequency and looking for calls and additional contacts. Looks like the boys are moving up, but there is still lots of room.

A new call on 2M in this area is Kn9DMO-Dick Woods who is on AM. Welcome to the ham bands Dick, hope to see you at IRC real soon.

K9AOM was busy last week during the snow storm on SSB at 3920 kc. handling traffic for stranded basketball fans.

In a like situation was the gang over at Zionsville, where Ed Ward-K9CRS and the crew practically took over operation of the town.

Help, Help, is the call coming out of W9PSE, as the old 20-A is giving Bob nightmares, via a severe case of splatter.

Bert-K9JSF finally got delivery on his Gonset linear, and is now burning holes in the ether in the vicinity of 146 plus mc.

George-W9BHB is operating on the low end of six from out at Butler U. and can be found on freq. most any evening.

Splatter this month is on the shy side, primarily due to so many stations suffering from the loss of their antenna's.

If you know of any news that you think will be of interest to the other hams in the area, all you need do is call ME 2-9609 most any evening, ask for Mac, give us the word and then watch for it in the paper. Just a phone call and we will take it from there.

Did anyone catch K9IUH on 6M? First time in many a moon.

W9JZV "Mac"

Our guest this month is well known throughout the Indpls. area, as well as all areas that his rig will cover. Frank Fitch-W9EJW, long a faithful of IRC, has been on the air since 1954. He was one of the very first to earn a Marion County Century Club certificate. He picked up a 15 WPM certificate in 1954 and followed this with an appointment as a Official Phone Station in July of 1956. He made BPL twice in 1957 and was awarded the Public Service Award in March of 1957 for his work in the tornado emergency, as reported on page 82 of the June 1957 QST. Last but not least he is the holder of the Hoosier Courtesy Award.



Frank, the XYL Rosemary, 11 year old David and 14 year old Susannah, reside at 4351 Crittenden and the shack occupies the basement there. A DX-100 with a SB-10 covers the lower frequencies, while a homebrew 6146 rig takes care of 6 meters. The receiver is a NC-183-D. Beams are used on 10 and 6, however Frank works out on 6-10-15-20-40-75 and 80 on CW-AM and SSB on 10 thru 75. He is a member of IFN and AREC nets and has belonged to ARRL and IRC as long as he has had a ticket.

Frank has been in the photography business all his life, and has owned his own photo business since 1939.

A privilege to have W9EJW as Amateur of the Month.

Our guests this month are the members of the Carmel High School Radio Club and we are proud to present their officers for 1961.



Reading left to right:

Earl Lemme, W9VVT, Trustee of the club and Principal of the Carmel High School.

Ron Hines, Kn9VVF who is the 1961 Vice-President.

Jack Phelan, K9VTS, President, which makes him the boss man for the year.

Charles Morgan, K9WKO, Treasurer, who we understand is such a good keeper of the gold that we may have a future replacement for the "old" IRC miser.

Laura Zimmerman, Kn9BBI, Secretary whom I'm sure would be a welcome sight a chief scribe at any radio club.

The group operates a Viking II and a SX-110 as can be seen from the above photo. There are now eight members in the club and prospects of many more. (With a secretary like they have at K9UNJ, why not. Ed.)

Meetings are held every other Thursday at the Carmel High School at 3:30 P.M. Welcome to the brotherhood Greyhounds and the door is open to a visit from you at anytime.

PROGRAM REVIEW

Friday night February 24th the IRC gang was fortunate to have a show on police radar systems presented by Mr. Gordon Nutty of the Indiana State Police and Mr. G. C. Hopkins, President of Electrofab Inc. who manufacture the units.

Mr. Nutty began the program and explained that Indiana State Police started using radar in 1957, although some states used them as early as 1951. RADAR is a word which has been coined for Radio-Detection and Ranging. The police type radar is unlike the military types in that it uses a continuous wave and uses the dopler effect for its speed detection. It depends on the apparent change of wave motion when the source or observer is in movement.

Mr. Hopkins demonstrated the complete operation and explained the technical side of the units construction and operation.

One point that was brought out is that the units are made with the motorists in mind, in that the error factor is plus 0 MPH and minus 2MPH.

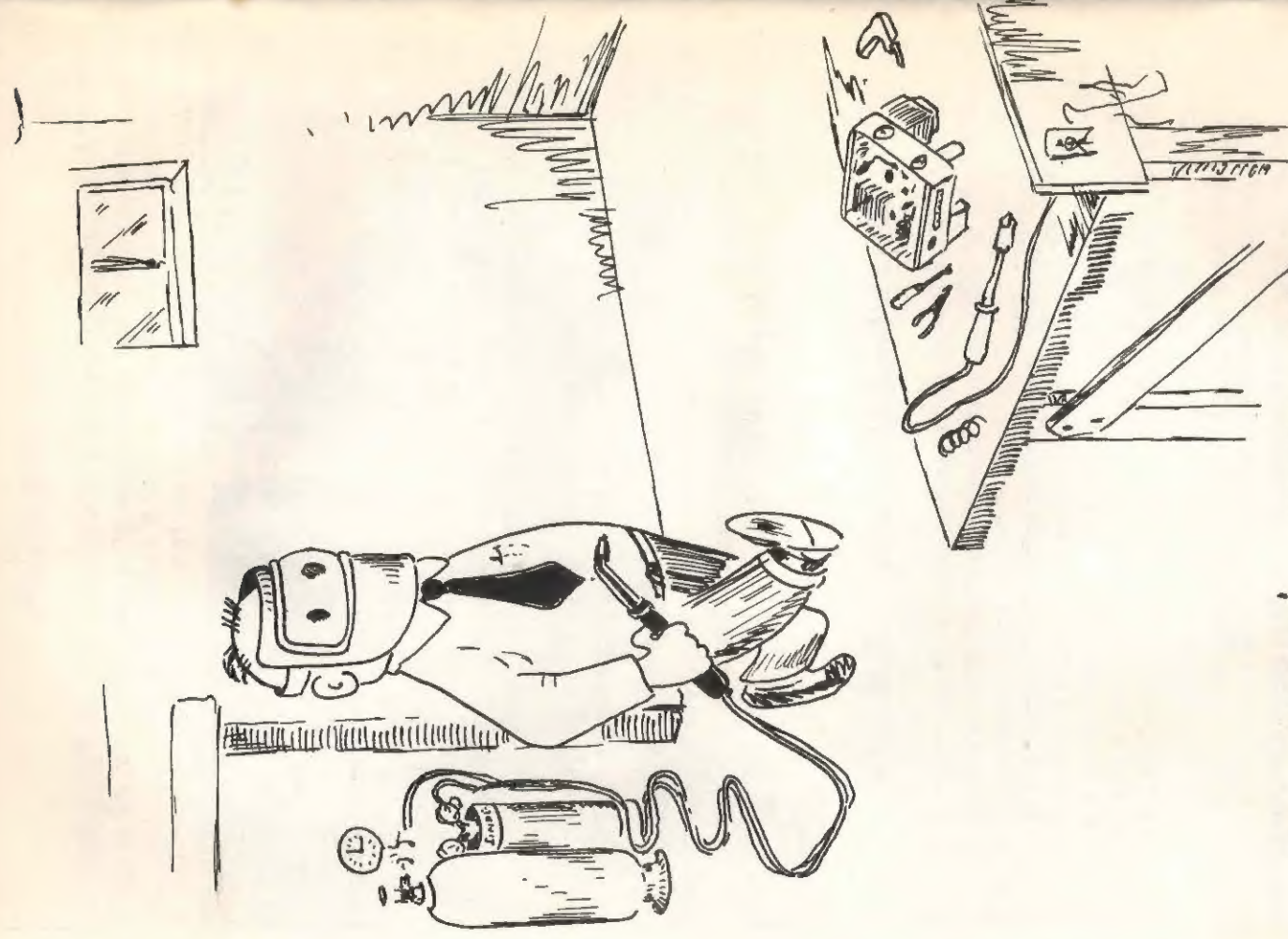
The one thing that was apparent to all that attended was the fact that the radar doesn't lie, and that you can't "beat it". Something to keep in mind next time you feel like putting your foot in the carburetor.

VAN SICKLE'S SPECIALS OF THE MONTH

Johnson Match Box.....	\$ 42.00
Johnson Challenger.....	\$ 79.00
Johnson Ranger.....	\$185.00
Hammarlund HQ-100.....	\$139.00
Hallcrafters S-76.....	\$119.00
National NC-2-40D.....	\$ 79.00
Globe King 500 B.....	\$450.00
Globe Side-Bander (New).....	\$125.00

DOPEY DILDOK SAYS

Splatter is just another excuse for the guys on the band to pick on me, if they don't like it, let them move to another band. After all I don't ask them to operate near my frequencies. What's more I've only had a couple of tickets from the FCC and if they keep up the fuss they will get me booted off the air.



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